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SUBJECT Jasper County Mining District TDD# 17-8505-15
Non-contiguous Site Status

On June 13, 1985 I spoke with Channing Johnson, Mitre Corp, regarding the subject site HRS. He said EPA-HQ must approve all HRS reviews for non-contiguous sites prior to their submission. I have prepared a brief rationale for considering the site as non-contiguous, as per the Federal Register on non-contiguous facilities.

The performance of an HRS review for the non-contiguous Jasper County, Missouri, Tri-State Mining District site has been proposed. The proposed site encompasses approximately 12 square miles of mining activity i.e. underground workings, pits, shafts (open, closed and collapsed), subsidence, mine tailing and waste piles and tailing pond waters. Refer to the enclosed map which reveals the said mining area of concern in the shaded region. The area was mined between the early 1800's until approximately 1950 for lead and zinc and secondarily cadmium. Although the individual mining efforts within the study area may lie some distance apart and may have involved different responsible parties, all were initiated in an effort to recover the same minerals, involve similar wastes and waste disposal methods, threaten the same groundwater and surface water resources and basically threaten the same populations i.e. the City of Joplin (population of 40,000) and several smaller towns and the rural community in the area outlying Joplin.

Enclosure

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